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G.O. No 2750

Dated 3rd October 1947

[Despatch Abstract.]

Motor Vehicles - Buses and Lorries - Allotment to well-established societies of ex-teddy tappers - Formulation of a programme - Papers recorded.

This file deals with the question of formulation of a programme for the allotment of buses and lorries to well-established co-operative societies of ex-toddy tappers in order to provide some business or employment for them. It was suggested that before steps to formulate such a programme were actually taken, the District Magistrates of the dry districts might be consulted as to whether there were any such societies in their districts and if so whether their financial position was sound enough to enable them undertake motor transport business. The District Magistrates concerned were accordingly consulted. Their replies are at pp.7-23 c.f. They say that either there are no such societies in their districts or that such of the societies as exist are not financially so sound as to undertake motor transport business. None of them is therefore in favour of the formulation of a programme as proposed. In view of this, it is for orders whether the proposal in this file, namely, the formulation of a programme for the allotment of buses and lorries to well-established co-operative societies of ex-toddy tappers, need be pursued further. The file may be circulated to H.M. (Pro.) for orders.

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Conditions do not seem to be propitious (A above) Perhaps can be taken up sometime later.

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29-9-47 H.M.(Pro.)

Please see orders in circulation above. Submitted that the papers may now be recorded for facility of future reference making a call book entry against 1-1-1948 with reference to M above.

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2-10-47

G.O.Ms.No.3738, dated 3rd October 1947.

M.V.S. - Buses and lorries - Allotment to well-established societies of ex-toddy tappers - Formulation of a programme - Papers recorded.

Home Department.

The file relates to the question of formulating a programme for the allotment of buses and lorries to well-established co-operative societies of ex-toddy tappers in order to provide some employment for them.

In May last, the District Magistrates of the then dry districts who were consulted in the matter, were not in favour of the proposal on the ground that there were no such societies in their districts and such of those societies as existed were not financially sound to undertake motor transport business. Further consideration of the question was therefore deferred till 1-1-1948. In January it was further postponed to 1-3-48. In that connection Development had suggested that the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Madras would be in a better position to furnish particulars regarding the proposal. This suggestion was agreed to and the Registrar of Co-operative Societies was

asked to report whether any Co-operative Societies of ex-toddy tappers have been formed in the dry districts and if so to furnish full particulars about them with reference to their soundness and capacity to run buses and lorries.

The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has reported that no motor transport co-operative society for ex-toddy tappers has so far been organised in the dry districts, and that it does not seem feasible to do so for the following reasons:-

(1) Ex-toddy tappers cannot afford to subscribe the necessary share capital for the purchase of buses and lorries.

(2) They cannot be expected to work as drivers or cleaners or perform technical duties satisfactorily. They can only be employed on work involving purely manual labour which is very little in a motor transport society; and

(3) They cannot be expected to understand the implications of a motor transport co-operative society or to manage the society properly.

The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has further stated that the Commissioner of Prohibition has not received any application for the formation of motor transport societies for ex-toddy tappers.

The Registrar of Co-operative Societies ~~xi~~ has also referred to Development Department Memo. No.24072-F/47-6, dated 30th July 1947, relating to the formation of a Motor Transport Society for the Harijans of Nandyal, in which the Government have stated that the question of organising a transport Co-operative Society will be considered if proposals are received from the general body of cleaners, drivers and workers actually employed in the business. Applying this criterion, the Registrar of Co-operative Societies states that no motor transport Co-operative Society can be organised for ex-tappers and that this criterion cannot be dispensed with because, then, the society will cease to be co-operative.

The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has further stated that due to the difficulty in obtaining routes, the proposal to start a co-operative Labour Transport Society at Nellore had to be dropped, while at Hindupur a similar transport Society has not been able to function. But these two societies are not for ex-toddy tappers.

The file may be circulated for orders whether in view of the remarks of the R.C.S. referred to at A on p.4 ante, the proposal may be dropped.) May be dropped

In view of the letter of the R.C.S. at p.5 c.f. the proposal may be dropped once for all.

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12-5-48

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H.M. (P.W.) for H.M. (Pro.).

Please see the orders in circulation at the bottom of p. 8 ante. The papers may be added to G.O.Ms.No.3738 Home, dated 3-10-1947 at (W).

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